GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

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INCLUSION OF CASTES IN OBC LIST
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the castes Kacchi-Kushwah, Kachhi-Shokiya and Kachhi-Maurya have been included in the list of OBCs by the Union Government as also the state of Punjab; and

(b) if so, the reasons for not according the OBC status to people belonging to `Maurya` caste in UT of Chandigarh?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) Yes, Sir. The Kachhi Kushwaha, Kachhi Shakya and Kachhi Maurya castes have been included in the Central List of OBCs for State of Punjab as well as in the list of Backward Classes in the State of Punjab.

(b) No request for inclusion of `Maurya` caste in the Central List of OBCs for the UT of Chandigarh has been received.